

Today's Advertisements.

BIJOU THEATRE.

RECLAMATION GROUND, WEST POINT.
TO-MORROW, (MONDAY)
and Every Evening till further notice.
For the first time in Hongkong.
THE
SPANISH-AMERICAN
WAR.
with startling New Effects.
Santiago before Bombardment.
Cabans fishing, rowing, &c. Steamboats plying.
Fishermen hauling and unfurling sails.
Arrival of troops. Soldiers marching.
Horses galloping.
&c. &c. &c.
A perfect Host-of-Mechanical Wonders.
PRICES AS USUAL.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1899. [118a]

GEO. FENWICK AND COMPANY,
LIMITED.
THE TENTH ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL, on
SATURDAY, the 11th March, at NOON, for
the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors, declaring a Dividend, and electing
Directors and Auditor.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 8th to 11th March,
both days inclusive.
By order of the Board of Directors.
W. G. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1899. [305a]

WARREN'S COLOSSAL SHOW
Direct from a Sensational Successful
Season in Manila.
The Mammoth Programme of a Monster
Entertainment.
The Most Intensely Interesting Performance
Ever Witnessed.
A Triumphal show crowned with The
Plaudits of Nations.
A Carnival of Music, Music and Marvels.
Hosts of Novelties, Artistic, Refined and
Original.
WHERE
WHEN
WHAT
PRICES?
WATCH THIS SPACE
THE ANSWER.
W. PFUEGER,
Press Representative.
AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY.
STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PORT SAID, FIORE AND
TRIESTE.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to
BLACK SEA, LEVANT AND ADRIATIC PORTS.)
THE Company's Steamship
"ISTRIA,"
Captain Raskevich, will be despatched as above
on MONDAY, the 6th instant, P.M.
For information as to Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1899. [281a]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship
"HAI TAN,"
Captain Rouch, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 7th instant,
at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAURIE & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1899. [306a]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.
THE Company's Steamship
"KUTSANG,"
Captain Bradley, will be despatched as above
on SATURDAY, the 11th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1899. [302a]



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.
(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND
AMERICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"PARRAMATTA,"
Captain C. T. Denny, R.N.R., carrying Her
Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this
for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 18th
instant, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo
for the above Ports.
Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;
other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed
via Bombay.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4
P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and
Value of all Packages are required.
Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's
Bills of Lading.
For further Particulars apply to
H. A. KITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1899.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship
"KUTSANG,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their
Goods will be delivered from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining
on board after Noon, the 7th instant, will be
landed at Consignees' risk and expense into
Godowns at East Point.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1899. [303a]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"CHUSAN,"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.
Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.
This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex S.S. Victoria.
From Australia, &c., ex S.S. Himalaya.
From Persian Gulf, &c., ex S.S. Khadala.
Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
2 P.M. TO-DAY.
Goods not cleared by the 10th instant, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.
All damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns and a certificate of the damage ob-
tained from the Godown Company within ten
days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which
no Claims will be recognised.
H. A. KITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1899. [11-w 5]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
STEAMSHIP "LENNON,"
FROM PORTLAND, OR., and YOKOHAMA.
The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in
their Bills of Lading for countersignature
and to take immediate delivery of their Goods
from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.
DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1899. [11-w 4]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM KOBE.
The Steamship
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Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED.
IMPORTERS OF HIGH-CLASS
SHERRIES.
Per doz. Case.

B. SUPERIOR PALE DRY,
dinner wine, Green Seal
Capsule \$10.80

C. MANZANILLA, PALE
NATURAL SHERRY,
White Capsule 12.00

CC. SUPERIOR OLD DRY,
PALE NATURAL
SHERRY, Red Seal Cap-
sule 12.00

D. VERY SUPERIOR OLD
PALE DRY, choice old
wine, White Seal Cap-
sule 14.40

E. EXTRA SUPERIOR OLD
PALE DRY, very finest
quality, Black Seal Cap-
sule (Old Bottled) 20.40

B., C., and CC. are excellent dinner
Wines and suitable for invalids
and delicate stomachs. D. and E. are
after-dinner Wines of a very superior
vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

Sample bottles and smaller quanti-
ties will be supplied at proportionate
wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and
Spirits to be genuine when bought
direct from us in the Colony or from
our authorised Agents at the Coast
Ports.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited,
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

BIRTHS.
At No. 1, Queen's Gardens, on 3rd March,
the wife of ARNOLD FUCHS, of a son. [304]
At Dunbar Hall, Penang, on the 20th
February, the wife of J. LEITH WENYMS, of
a daughter.

MARRIAGES.
On the 1st February, ERNST GOETZ, son of
Julius Goetz of Hamburg, to CISEY COHEN,
the eldest daughter of Ferdinand Cohen, Ham-
burg, formerly of Victoria Park, Manchester.
On the 28th January, at St. Thomas's Port-
man-square, WILLIAM ALFRED MORLING, of
Tientsin, North China, to CECILE daughter of
the late Thomas Porter Grayson, Lincolnshire.

THE Hongkong Telegraph
HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 1899.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.
A WARNING.
We are glad to note that, according to the
Reuter's message which we publish to-day,
the Times has taken its namesake by the
forelock and uttered a word of warning
to the British Government with regard to
the China question. The leading English
daily has apparently awakened to the fact
that a definite and strong line of policy in
Chinese affairs is needed and hopes that
the British Foreign Office will grasp the
true condition of affairs before it is too late,
as China is breaking up and the future lies
with the nations who understand what to do.
The question is, however, what will our
Government decide to do and how will they
do it?

FRIENDS OR FOES?
Is Great Britain prepared to maintain the
integrity of the Chinese Empire and thus
keep the door open to British trade, or will
she be content to sanction the formation of
spheres of influence, which may, as was
recently pointed out by Mr. J. J. FRANCIS,
Q.C., in his lecture before the Odd Volumes
Society, ultimately develop into the acqui-
sition of the territory included in the sphere
of influence of each Power concerned, and
the consequent disruption of the empire? If
we are to support China, then her enemies
will of necessity become our enemies, and a
clear understanding must be arrived at of the
intentions of the various Powers
concerned in the question of the future of
China in order that we may be enabled to
distinguish between those who are in
favour of the maintenance of the Empire of
China and those who favour its partition.
In other words we must separate our friends
from our possible enemies.

SPHERES OF INFLUENCE.
On the other hand, if spheres of influence
are to be created then no time should be
lost in plainly stating what is considered to
be the British sphere or spheres, defining
boundaries and giving our reasons for con-
sidering such tracts of territory to be under
our influence. This statement having been
made, the other Powers concerned can do
likewise, and, if needs be, raise objections
to the various claims put forward. But then,
will the Powers agree? Russia will doubtless
assert her claim to the whole of Manchuria
and as large a slice of the northern pro-
vinces as she dare, while France will wish
to push northwards from Tongking. Germany
is already established in Shantung and so is
Great Britain, and each will have a claim to
put forward in that region. Then we are

established in Kwangtung and already have
a half promise from the Chinese to the effect
that no portion of the Yangtze Valley shall
be ceded to another Power. France has
been casting longing eyes upon Nanking
and will probably wish to dispute the
possession of the Yangtze Valley.

THE RIVAL CLAIMS.
Then look at the claims to be put forward.
We have practically opened China to the
world; we were first on the scene and then
came the French, who after us certainly have
the best claim to China. The Germans and
Americans are practically newcomers on the
scene but each will doubtless ask for a
sphere of influence and advance arguments
to support their cause. Then there is Japan
to be considered, for it is hardly to be supposed
that she would be content to stand idly by
and see China divided up amongst the
European Powers unless she was granted a
share of the spoil. And now we have Italy
coming forward and asking for concessions.
Where can it all end, and how? With all
these rival factions in the field the outlook
for China appears to be a very gloomy one
indeed. The Powers are well aware that
she is helpless; she can be easily overcome
by the weakest of them, and there they all
sit, like hungry dogs round a bone, each
afraid to make the first step for fear of
bringing down the wrath of the rest.

WHERE WILL IT END?
Apparently China is doomed unless she
can find a champion to arise in her defence,
but she has played fast and loose with all
who have offered her aid and it is difficult
to find anyone to come to the rescue.
She fears that an appeal for help may end
in her protector refusing to relinquish his
hold when she has been put once more upon
a secure footing. With the Powers interested
in China the case is much the same. Each
mistrusts the intentions of all the others to a
certain extent and is inclined to weigh the
cost of coming to the rescue before making
a move. Each is well aware that a crisis
may arise at any moment which will neces-
sitate action, but one and all fear to make
the first step either for the preservation or
the disruption of China. Apparently the
only road out of the difficulty lies in an al-
liance of certain Powers, whose interests are
of a similar nature, for the purpose of main-
taining the integrity of China and ensuring that
all and everyone shall have a fair field in the
race for trade. But even this solution of
the question has its drawbacks. Alliances
have been talked of and discussed, but a
shyess exists on the part of the Powers con-
cerned to make the first step towards the
realization of such dreams. There is always
the haunting fear that the game may not be
worth the candle and so writers are allowed
to drift. If only England, Germany, America
and Japan could come to a mutual under-
standing upon the question of China's future
then she might yet be saved, but unless such
an understanding is shortly arrived at and
the tutelage of China undertaken, we fear
that it will be too late.

THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES.
MEXICO, March 4th.
5 p.m.
FURTHER FIGHTING.
The Bennington has shelled the Philippine
intrenchments at Malaban and silenced
them. There is frequent fighting at San
Pedro.

PROMOTION FOR DEWEY.
Rear Admiral Dewey has been promoted
to Admiral.
Received at 5.40 p.m.
Published at 5.50 p.m.

VICE-ADMIRAL VON DIEDRICH'S
RECALLED.
SINGAPORE, March 4th.
4.1 p.m.
Vice-Admiral von Diederichs, in command
of the German Asiatic Squadron, has been
recalled and Prince Henry of Prussia has
been placed in command of the Squadron
in his stead.
Received at 4.15 p.m.
Published at 5.30 p.m.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.
THE ILLNESS OF THE POPE
OF ROME.
LONDON, March 2nd.
The Pope is progressing favourably.

DEATH OF LORD HERSHELL.
Lord Hershell has died suddenly at Wash-
ington.
(Hershell, Fawcett, First Lord—created 1886)
Surname Hershell. Born 1837, educated
at University College, London, and the
University of Bonn; called to the Bar in 1860
and became a Queen's Counsel in 1872, and
a Bench of Lincoln's Inn the same year.
Recorder of Carlisle 1873; represented Dur-
ham in the Liberal interest 1874-1885; Soli-
citor General in Mr. Gladstone's Ministry
1880 and received the honour of knight-
hood. On the appointment of a Royal
Commission to enquire into the work-
ing of the Metropolitan Board of Works
he was appointed chairman; and was one
of the commissioners appointed to adjust
differences between the States and Canada.
He again became Lord Chancellor in Mr.
Gladstone's 1892 Administration, holding
office until it resigned (June 1895). Oxford
University conferred the degree of D.C.L.
on him in 1880, and Cambridge University
L.L.D. in June 1893; G.C.B. 1893 appointed
Chancellor of Deal Castle 1894; Chancellor of
the University of London 1893. Hon. R. F. Hershell.—Herald's Annual.

THE DREYFUS CASE.
The Senate has passed the Dreyfus Bill.
SPAIN.
Senor Sagasta's Cabinet has resigned after
meeting with violent opposition in the Cortes.

JAPAN AND THE DUTCH EAST
INDIES.
The Dutch Second Chamber has passed a
Bill placing the Japanese on an equal footing
with Europeans in the Dutch East Indies.

THE "TIMES" ON CHINA.
The Times in an article sympathises with
the Italian demand for concessions in the Chi-
nese province and says that it hopes the
British Foreign Office will grasp the true con-
dition of affairs before it is too late, as China is
breaking up and the future lies with the nations
who understand what to do.

WEATHER REPORT.
The Observatory report says:—On the 4th
at 11.40 a.m. The barometer has risen slightly
on the E. coast of China, and is inclined to fall
on the S. coast. The high pressure area seems
to be central between N. China and Japan.
Gradients moderate with fresh monsoon on the
coast, and in the N. part of the China Sea.
FORECAST:—Moderate or fresh N.E. winds;
fine.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.
H.M.S. Powerful leaves for Manila on Tuesday
next to relieve H.M.S. Narcissus.

